



7th Annual RASCL Summit

Leading the Charge: Empowering our Communities for a Sustainable Delaware

January 17, 2024 | Dover, DE

Schedule At a Glance

- 10:00am – Welcome
- 10:15am - Welcome Speaker
- 10:30am – RASCL Community Champions Award Presentation
- 10:45am – Renewable Realities
- 12:00pm - Lunch & Networking
- 1:15pm – Renewable Roadmap
- 2:15pm – RASCL Resources
- 3:30pm – Raffles and Wrap Up

Welcome!

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WHO WE ARE: 27 Member Organizations

STATE PARTNERS

Delaware Emergency Management Agency
Delaware Department of Natural Resources and
Environmental Control
Delaware Department of Transportation
Delaware Division of Libraries
Delaware Division of Public Health
Delaware Forest Service
Delaware Geological Survey
Delaware Office of State Planning Coordination
Delaware State Housing Authority

NON-PROFIT PARTNERS

Center for the Inland Bays
Delaware Interfaith Power and Light
Delaware League of Local Governments
Delaware Nature Society
Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility
Delaware Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
Green Building United
National Wildlife Federation Mid-Atlantic Regional Center
The Nature Conservancy PA/DE Chapter
Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

UNIVERSITY PARTNERS

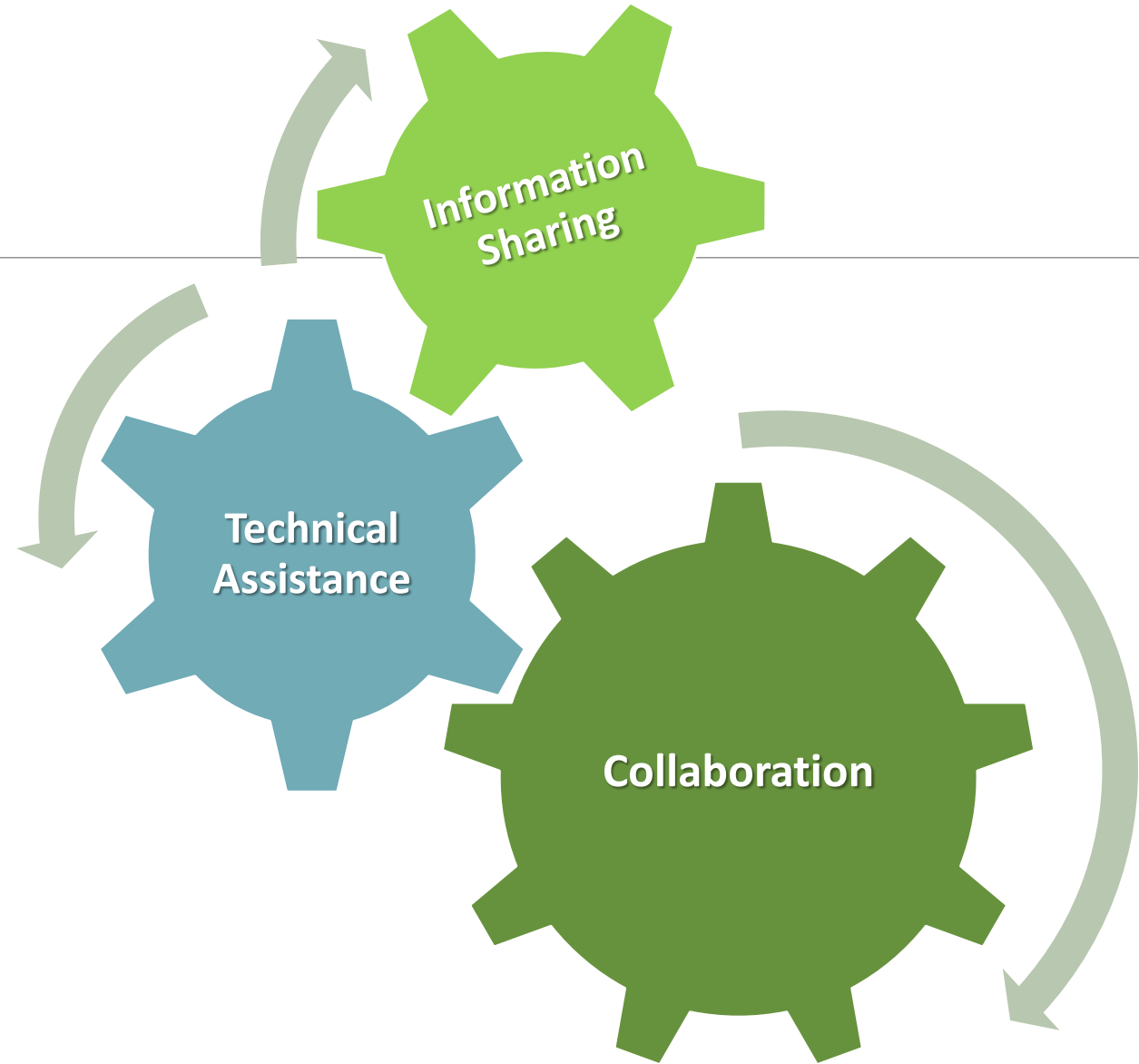
Delaware Center for Environmental Monitoring and Analysis
Delaware Environmental Institute
Delaware Sea Grant
University of Delaware Coastal Resilience Design Studio
University of Delaware Institute for Public Administration
University of Delaware Office of Sustainability
University of Delaware Water Resources Center
University of Maryland Environmental Finance Center

Steering Committee:



WHAT WE DO

Support all Delaware communities in taking the necessary actions to thrive in the face of changing environmental conditions.



2023* RASCL INITIATIVES

Project
Guidance
Group

Sustainability
Plan Resource
Guide

Coffee Hours
& RASCL
Summit*

Community
Champion
Awards

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2024 Summit Theme:

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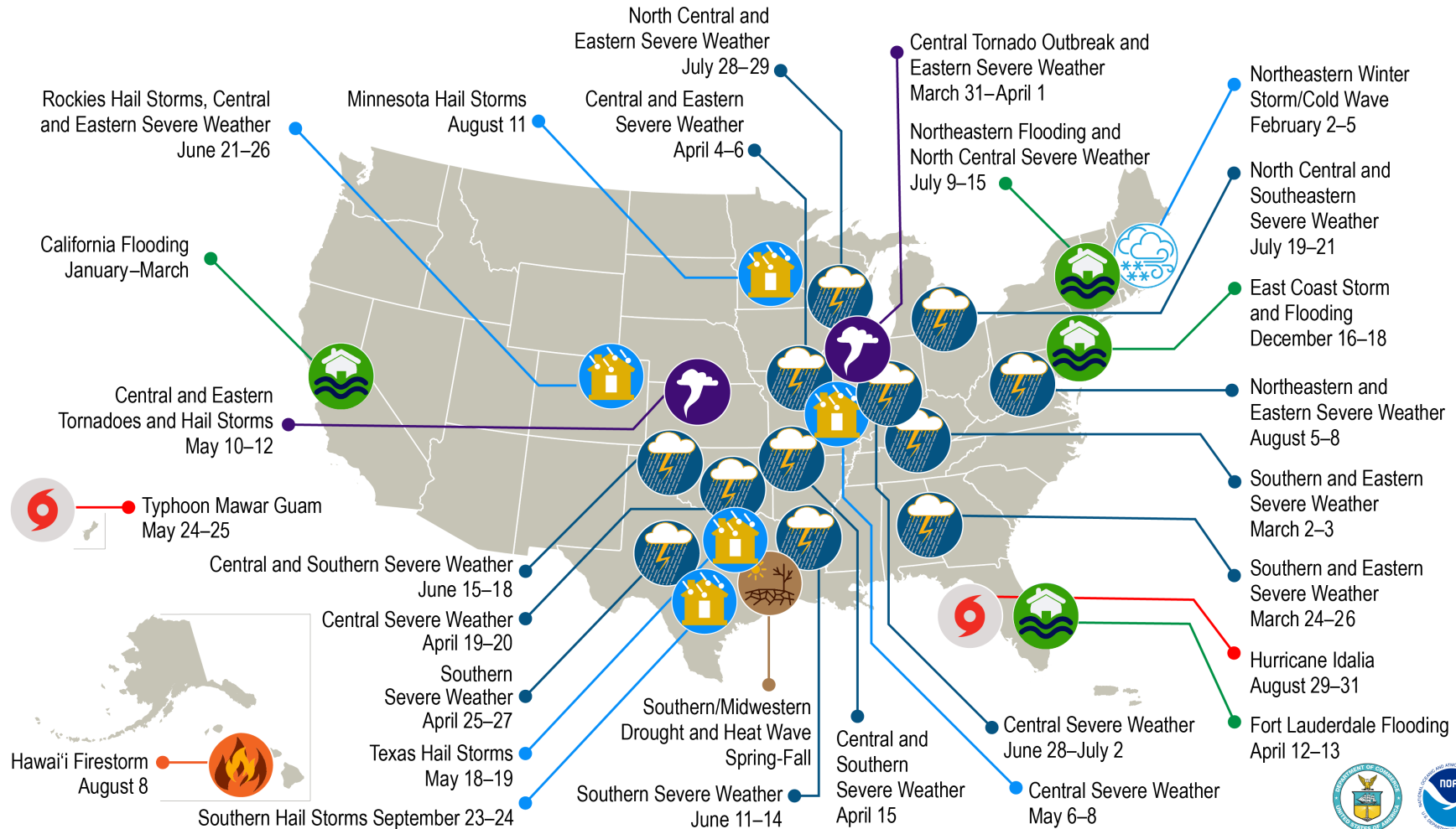
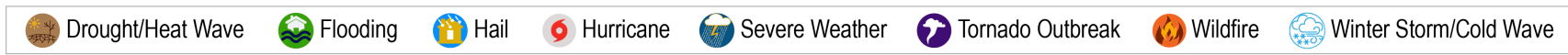
- National and international commitments seek to limit global warming to below 2°C (3.6°F), and preferably to 1.5°C (2.7°F), compared to preindustrial temperatures (defined as the 1850–1900 average).
- To do this, global CO₂ emissions need to reach net zero by ~2050.

Fifth National Climate Assessment

- The U.S. has made progress at reducing greenhouse gas emissions, but current efforts are not sufficient.
- Adaptation efforts have also not kept pace.



U.S. 2023 Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters

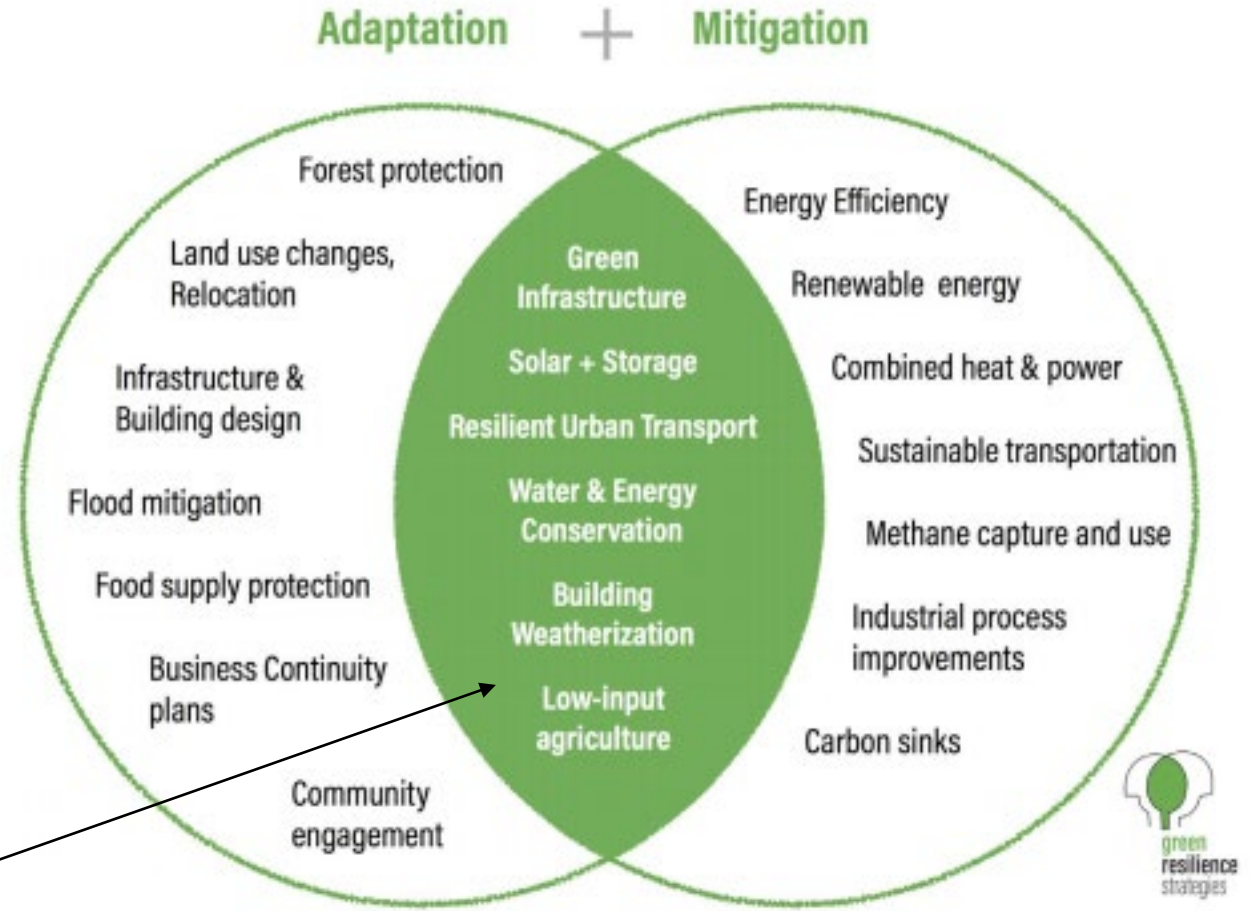


This map denotes the approximate location for each of the 28 separate billion-dollar weather and climate disasters that impacted the United States in 2023.



- Mitigation and adaptation efforts are BOTH needed to become resilient to climate change
- We cannot afford to wait

Co-benefits are maximized and are aided by partnerships and innovation



*Figure 1: Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Synergies
Green Resilience Strategies (2017)
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A Special Thank You to Jim Pappas



Now, Please Welcome:

Stefen Samarripas

Senior Manager, Local Policy Team

American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE)





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Community Champion Awards Presentation



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Community Champion Awardee

Stacey Henry

Delaware Resilience Hub



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Community Champion Awardee

Kathy Lock

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Renewable Realities: Sharing Insights and Dispelling Myths



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Renewable Roadmap: Examples and Tools for Sustainable Energy Solutions



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